

What is claimed is:

1. A magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus comprising:

a lock releasing arm having a claw for depressing a lock releasing switch on a front cover of a cassette, the claw depressing the lock releasing switch through a hole formed in the cassette; and

a projection to be in contact with a front face of the cassette when the cassette is inserted into the magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus,

wherein when the cassette is brought into contact with the projection, the lock releasing arm depresses the lock releasing switch, and a side wall on a cassette inserting direction side of the claw comes into contact with a side wall on the cassette inserting direction side of the hole to position the cassette until the cassette is automatically loaded.

2. A magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus comprising:

a lock releasing arm having a claw for depressing a lock releasing switch on a front cover of a cassette, the claw depressing the lock releasing switch through a hole formed in the cassette,

wherein a side wall on a cassette inserting direction side of the claw comes into contact with a side wall on the cassette inserting direction side of the hole to position the cassette

until the cassette is automatically loaded.

3. The magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus according to claim 2, further comprising a projection to be in contact with a front face of the cassette when the cassette is inserted into the magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus,

wherein when the cassette is brought into contact with the projection, the lock releasing arm depresses the lock releasing switch , and the side wall on the cassette inserting direction side of the claw comes into contact with the side wall on the cassette inserting direction side of the hole.